

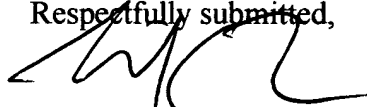
**REMARKS**

Reconsideration and allowance in view of the foregoing amendment and the following remarks are respectfully requested. Claims 1-7, 10-14, 16-18 and 20-31 remain pending in the application.

Applicant's express their appreciation to the Examiner for the indication that claims 6-7, 15, 19, 21 and 23 contain allowable subject matter. Claims 1, 10, 17, 24 and 29 have been amended in light of the indication of allowable subject matter, specifically such that each claim includes the limitations contained in claims 15 and 19, which have now been cancelled.

All rejections are believed moot in view of the foregoing amendments which place this application in condition for allowance. It is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and an early Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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